# PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2015

## **ROLL CALL**

The meeting of the Physician Assistant Committee was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by John Davies, P.A., Vice -Chairperson, in Conference Room Lower Level B, State Office Building, located at 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska and via conference call. The Agenda was sent to the Board members and other interested parties prior to the meeting. The following members answered the roll call:

John Davies, P.A., Chairperson David Hoelting, M.D - Secretary Tamara Dolphens, PA-C Tom Bassett, Vice – Chair

Absent: Michael Bittles, MD,

A quorum was present, and the meeting convened. Present from the Department was Kathie Lueke, Administrator; Kelli Dalrymple, Health Licensing Coordinator; Kathy Krueger, Investigator, Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, Department Legal, and Ed Vierk, Assistant Attorney General.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Hoelting moved, seconded by Dolphens, to adopt the agenda as presented. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett, Dolphens. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bassett moved, seconded by Hoelting, to approve the meeting minutes of April 17, 2015 with changes as presented. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett, Dolphens. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

## INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS - CLOSED SESSION

Bassett moved, seconded by Hoelting, to close the session at 2:03 p.m. to review applications. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett and Dolphens. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

Vierk recused himself from the meeting at 2:19 pm. Suzanna Glover-Ettrich joined the meeting at 2:19 pm.

Glover-Ettrich recused herself from the meeting at 2:27 pm. Vierk re-joined the meeting at 2:27pm.

Glover-Ettrich rejoined the meeting at 2:31 pm.

Hoelting moved, seconded by Dolphens to return to open session at 2:31 p.m. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett and Dolphens. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

#### APPLICATION REVIEW

JESSICA THURMAN, application for initial Physician Assistant License: Hoelting moved, seconded by Dolphens to issue the license. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett and Dolphens, Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

Kudron, Christopher application for reinstatement after discipline: Hoelting moved, seconded by Dolphens to deny the application for reinstatement based on new information. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett and Dolphens. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

## DISPENSING PRACTITIONER MEMO

Kathie Lueke gave an overview of the Memo that went out to the licensed dispensing practitioners in the State of Nebraska indicating that a legislation change has taken place that will no longer allow PA's to dispense controlled substances.

The committee has concerns as to how this will effect care and are taking looking in to the situation further.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Hoelting moved, seconded by Bassett, to adjourn the meeting at 2:38 p.m. Voting aye: Davies, Hoelting, Bassett and Dolphens. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

\*signature available upon request\*

David Hoelting, MD, Secretary Physician Assistant Committee